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: MARTENSITIC STAINLESS STEEL HAVING HIGH MECHANICAL

STRENGTH AND CORROSION

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 27, 2001**

In response to the office action dated September 27, 2001 ("the Office Action"), please amend the application as follows:

## In the claims:

Amend claims 1, 3, 5, and 7 as follows:

1. (Amended) A martensitic stainless steel comprising less than 0.06 wt.% C, less than 2.5 wt.% Si, less than 2.5 wt.% Mn, 1.0-6.0 wt.% Ni, 10.0-19.0 wt.% Cr, 0.5-6.0 wt.% W, less than 3.5 wt.% Mo, less than 0.5 wt.% Nb, less than 0.5 wt.% V, less than 3.0 wt.% Cu, 0.11-0.25 wt.% N, and the remainder being Fe and minor impurities.

3. (Amended) A martensitic stainless steel comprising less than 0.035 wt.% C, less than 2.0 wt.% Si, less than 2.0 wt.% Mn, 1.5-4.5 wt.% Ni, 12.0-16.0 wt.% Cr, 0.5-4.5 wt.% W, less than 2.5 wt.% Mo, less than 0.3 wt.% Nb, less than 0.3 wt.% V, less than 2.0 wt.% Cu, 0.11-0.25 wt.% N, and the remainder being Fe and minor impurities.

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